

**\*OGC Has Reviewed\***

30 December 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Houston

SUBJECT : Security Requirements for Government Employment

1. With reference to the attached request by DD/I for comments, I have talked to [REDACTED] with a view that Security and ourselves might prepare a joint comment. We might well content ourselves with a general comment that so long as the proposed action does not legally infringe on the Director's authority that we have no objection. On the other hand, you may feel as I do that basically no action seems to be necessary. In fact a formal establishment of another inter-Agency committee by Executive Order simply adds to the multiplicity of such units. The Civil Service Commission cites no clear-cut argument as to why the present informal committee is not serving the same purpose. Their list of advantages represent to me only a listing of the present functions of the committee except for the public relations standpoint. Possibly the congressionally established committee is sufficient for any further public relations. 25X1A9a

2. After my review, I strongly feel that no formal action in the Executive Department is necessary. As a matter of interest, the dates of the Executive Orders of 2 August and 5 August 1954 are incorrect as mentioned in the transmittal memorandum of 20 December 1955. They should be August 3 and August 6, respectively.

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